

REMARKS

The Examiner indicated that claims 17, 25 and 29 contain language which may be broadly interpreted as having the polymer-aggregate concrete filling the space between the flanges on the internal side of the form, even though such is not shown in the drawings or disclosed. Claims 17, 25 and 29 have been amended to address the Sect. 112 problems noted by the Examiner, such that language has been added to clearly indicate that the polymer-aggregate concrete fills the space between the externally extending portions of the annular flanges and longitudinal flanges.

The Examiner has rejected claim 16 under Sect. 103. Claim 16 has been canceled and the language incorporated into claim 17, such that claim 17 is now an independent claim.

Dependent claims 19, 22 and 24, objected to under Sect. 112, have been canceled. Claim 28 has been amended to correct a typographical error, such that it now properly depends from claim 25.

The Examiner has rejected claim 20 under Sect. 103. Claim 20 is now dependent upon claim 17 rather than claim 16, now canceled.

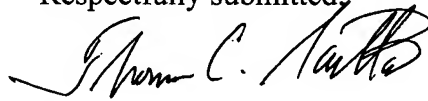
It is submitted that the Sect. 112 objections have been properly addressed, such that independent claims 17, 25 and 29, as well as all dependent claims, are now properly presented. Rejected claim 16 has been canceled, and rejected claim 20 now depends upon an allowable claim.

The independent claims, and correspondingly the dependent claims as well, now expressly require that the sprayed polymer-aggregate concrete fills the external space between the annular and longitudinal flanges (and spacers if present), and the concrete is then planed to a

smooth-walled exterior surface using the flanges (and spacers) as planning guides. Such a method is not anticipated nor made obvious by the known prior art, alone or in combination.

It is respectfully submitted that the claims as presented are patentable, on the basis of the above remarks, and reconsideration and subsequent passage for allowance is hereby requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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